



Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Water Commissioners

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Wednesday, March 21, 2018

2:00 PM

5th Floor Board Room, Water Board Building

Regular Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Einheuser called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner John Henry Davis, Commissioner Michael Einheuser, Commissioner Lane Coleman, Commissioner Jane Garcia and Commissioner Mary Blackmon

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Linda Forte and Commissioner Pamela Rodgers

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Einheuser requested approval of the agenda as amended.

Item 18-0063 was pulled from the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that the agenda be approved as amended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Einheuser requested approval of the minutes of February 21, 2018.

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 minutes per speaker)

1. Fredia Butler provided communication that addressed her concerns.

[18-0075](#)

Receipt of Correspondence

Sponsors: Customer Service/Meter Operations

Attachments: [Fredia Butler](#)

2. Russ Bellant of 19619 Helen came before the Board to ask for consideration in waiving a hydrant fee. Director Brown replied that all demolition requests are received through Buildings and Safety. The Water Department only provides clearances. Director Brown will provide Mr. Bellant with the appropriate contact at Buildings and Safety to address his circumstances.

3. Gerald Carson of 17645 Grandville came before the Board regarding a water bill matter. Mr. Carson was referred to Dr. Marc Antonie Cooper, Chief Customer Service Officer.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. [18-0058](#) Receipt of Correspondence

Sponsors: Pospiech

Attachments: [18-0058 FEBRUARY 2018 FOIA REQUESTS](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Communication or Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. [18-0086](#) A/R Report for Wayne County and State of Michigan

Sponsors: Pospiech

Attachments: [A/R State of Michigan and Wayne County Accounts](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Communication or Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7. **ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS**

There was none.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. [18-0004](#) Final CIP Committee Charter and Planning Calendar

Sponsors: Mobley

Attachments: [CIP Committee Charter and Planning Calendar Final 03192018](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Lane Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that this Resolution, BOWC be approved. The

motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. [18-0061](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **enter into Contract No. DWS-904, "Repair of Lawns, Berms and Trees Damaged Due to Maintenance of Water System and Green Stormwater Infrastructures Vegetation Management and Irrigation Services: Various Locations Throughout the City of Detroit" with WCI Contractors, Inc., Contractor) at a cost not to exceed \$2,657,700.00 for a duration of 1095 calendar days**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Mobley

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. [18-0062](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure a secondary contract with Core & Main LP for Interruption and Restoration Parts for a Three (3) Year Period for a total amount of \$1,799,015.76** and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Naughton

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

D. [18-0063](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure a contract with Lafontaine CDJR of Lansing, MI for (6) Revenue Protection Unit Vehicles; (2) Current Model Year Midsize Sports Utility Vehicles and (4) current Model Year Four-Door Sedan Revenue Protection Unit Cars all to be equipped with DWSD-approved Up-fitting be added to the DWSD Fleet at a cost of \$135,430.00** and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Naughton

A friendly amendment by the maker of the motion and seconded to place the item back on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lane Coleman, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that this Procurement, Goods be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

E. [18-0064](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure a contract with Bob Maxey Ford**

of Detroit, MI for Auto Collision Body Repair for various Ford, General Motors, and FCA Vehicle Parts, Maintenance, and Repair Service for two (2) years at a cost of \$400,000.00, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Naughton

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

F. [18-0065](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure a contract to “Furnish Conversion and Breakable Fire Hydrants” with EJ USA INC, (Sole Source) for a duration of three (3) years at a cost not to exceed \$5,205,100.92** and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Naughton

A motion was made by Commissioner Lane Coleman, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

G. [18-0066](#)

The Detroit Board of Water Commissioners (Board) for the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department **authorizes the Director to enter into a Settlement Agreement with Plaintiff LBUBS 2007-C1 Conner Retail, LLC (LBUBS) in the matter of *Michigan Warehousing Group, LLC v City of Detroit* to settle all LBUBS’ claims for charges assessed on Parcel Number 21046422; and the Board authorizes the Director and General Counsel to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.**

Sponsors: Pospiech

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Case Settlement, Other be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

H. [18-0067](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure a blanket purchase agreement with Detroit Salt Company of Detroit, MI for Road Salt for DWSD Central and West Yard Warehouses in accordance with the State of Michigan MI-DEAL for two (2) years at a cost of \$187,260.00**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Naughton

10. DIRECTOR'S METRICS

A. [18-0059](#) Director's Metrics

Sponsors: Brown

Attachments: [Director's Report-March](#)

This Communication or Report was received and filed.

11. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Vice Chair Blackmon thanked Commissioner Rodgers for her commitment and involvement with the Board. The Board wishes her well.

12. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Chairman Einheuser reminded all that the first session of the Board's retreat will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) at 8:30 a.m. He also stated that the Mayor is scheduled to appear during the first hour.

13. OTHER MATTERS

There were none.

14. CLOSED SESSION

A. [18-0060](#) The Board of Water Commissioners vote to **approve a meeting to consider a period personnel evaluation in closed session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act and upon request of the public officer/employee.**

Sponsors: Pospiech

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Jane Garcia to enter into this Request, Closed Session at 3:35 p.m. be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

A motion was made that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Davis , Commissioner Einheuser, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Blackmon

Return from closed session at 4:02 p.m.

The only matter discussed was the period personnel evaluation.

NEW BUSINESS (CON'T)

- I. [18-0087](#) The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Chair to **take appropriate steps to implement salary adjustments reflective of Director Gary Brown's periodic personnel evaluation, as was discussed in closed session.**

Sponsors: Pospiech

A motion was made by Commissioner Lane Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that this Resolution, BOWC be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Einheuser requested a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis tha the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.